UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

NORMAN N. SHELTON, :

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Plaintiff : No. 4:CV-11-0368

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vs. : (Complaint Filed 02/25/11)

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: (Judge Muir)

WARDEN BLEDSOE, et al.,

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Defendants

ORDER #1 of

June 29, 2011

Background

Norman N. Shelton, an inmate confined in the United States Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, filed the above captioned <u>Bivens</u>¹ action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331. Presently before the court are plaintiff's motions for appointment of counsel.(Docs. 21, 41). For the reasons set forth below, the motions will be denied.

Previously by order dated March 24, 2011, this court denied a similar motion for appointment counsel (Doc. 13). That order also provided that if future proceedings demonstrated the need

^{2. &}lt;u>Bivens v. Six Unknown Agents of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics</u>, 403 U.S. 388, 397 (1971).

for counsel, plaintiff's motion would be reconsidered. Since the entry of that order, Shelton has continued to demonstrate a reasonable ability to litigate this action <u>pro se</u>. Furthermore, his latest motions fail to set forth sufficient special circumstances or factors which would warrant the appointment of counsel. <u>See Tabron v. Grace</u>, 6 F.3d 147, 153, 155-157 (3d Cir. 1993).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT plaintiff's motions for appointment of counsel (Docs. 21, 41) are **DENIED**.

s/Malcolm Muir

MUIR

United States District Judge